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In Re Application of:

Giuseppe COLOMBO et al.

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR For:

> INTRODUCING IN CONTINUOUS A SUBSTANCE IN LIQUID PHASE

INTO PLASTICS GRANULES

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of March 5, 2002. A fee of \$400.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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